

b. Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently amended) A therapeutic wrap, which is both selectively disposable as well as reusable, for applying a thermal pad to a body portion, ~~said wrap~~ comprising:

an elongated flexible strip of ~~latex-free~~, ~~disposable and reusable~~ elastic material having flexibility elasticity in the direction of elongation and having first and second side surfaces faces, first and second end portions and a mid portion therebetween there between; said elongated strip material being selectively severable along its length without unraveling at the severed end portion to selectively and variably adjust the length of said wrap;

a sheet of ~~said disposable and reusable~~ flexible and elastic material secured to a face, the first side surface of said strip to form at least one pocket each having at least one end opening, said pocket being adapted to receive a prepackaged thermal pad therein through said at least one end opening; and

a plurality of attachment elements adapted to releasably secure said strip first end portion to any other selected surface portion of ~~said~~ the strip of flexible and elastic material to conform and secure ~~said~~ the strip, in use, to a body portion requiring thermal treatment; and

wherein the flexible and elastic material is of a kind that is sufficiently engageable with said attachment elements to secure the strip, in use, in a wrapped configuration around a selected body portion.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently amended) The therapeutic wrap as claimed in claim 1, wherein said strip comprises ~~woven~~ cloth of polypropylene fibers.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently amended) The therapeutic wrap as claimed in claim 1, wherein: said pocket is positioned proximate said mid portion; and said second end portion extends longitudinally from the mid portion and provides a selectively severable end portion of the strip for variably adjusting the length of the strip.

7. (Original) The therapeutic wrap as claimed in claim 1, wherein said pocket is sized and

positioned to enable ready access to said at least one end opening thereof to permit replacement of said pad without removing said strip from its applied position about a selected body portion.

8. (Currently amended) The therapeutic wrap as claimed in claim 1, wherein said attachment elements comprise hook and loop type fasteners adapted to engage said elastic material to selectively secure said strip about a desired body portion.

9. (Original) The therapeutic wrap as claimed in claim 8, wherein said attachment elements comprise hook-type fastening strips fixed to and extending from said first end portion and adapted to removably attach to any selected surface portion of said material.

10. (Currently amended) The therapeutic wrap as claimed in claim 1, configured as an adjustable sleeve, wherein:

said first and second end portions of said strip are joined together such that the strip is configured as is looped and secured to itself to form a sleeve having an inner face and an outer face; and

said attachment elements extend from the outer face of said sleeve in a position enabling the sleeve to be selectively varied in peripheral size by commonly drawing the attachment elements and the joined first and second end portions of the strip around a remaining portion of the sleeve and enabling the drawn portion to be secured in drawn position by attaching the attachment elements to the outer face of the sleeve, wherein said first end portion overlaps said second end portion, said attachment elements selectively varying the diameter of said sleeve by selective attachment to the second a surface of said the strip .

11. (Currently amended) A disposable and reusable apparatus A wrap for use in applying heat or cold packs to selected portions of the human body, said apparatus comprising:

an a longitudinally elongated strip comprised of latex-free flexible woven fibers, having flexibility and elasticity in the direction of elongation, said strip being both washable and disposable and having an inner and an outer surface face, first and second end portions, and a mid portion intermediate said first and second end portions; said elongated strip of woven fibers being selectively severable along its length without unraveling said woven fibers at the severed end portion to selectively and variably adjust the length of said apparatus;

a layer sheet of said latex-free flexible woven fibers attached to the inner surface of said strip near said mid portion such that said second end portion extends longitudinally from the mid portion and provides a selectively severable end portion for variably adjusting the length of the strip, wherein the attached sheet is and sized and shaped to form a pocket along said inner surface a face of the strip, said pocket having at least one end opening to provide providing access to the interior of said the pocket for and enabling the selective insertion and removal of a heat or cold pack; and

a plurality of fasteners extending longitudinally outwardly from the first end portion of said the strip and adapted to releasably attach to any selected surface portion of said the strip to permit application of said the strip, in use, to any desired portion of the a human body; and

wherein the strip of flexible and elastic fibers is of a kind that is sufficiently engageable with said fasteners to secure the strip, in use, in a wrapped configuration around a selected human body portion.

3, 12. (Currently amended) The apparatus- wrap as claimed in claim 11, wherein said strip comprises an elongated woven cloth of polypropylene fibers having flexibility in the direction of elongation.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Currently amended) The apparatus- wrap as claimed in claim 11, wherein said layer sheet is made from composed of the same material as said elongated strip, and said pocket is positioned proximate said second end portion for providing elasticity and mating ability with said fasteners throughout the length of said strip.

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently amended) The apparatus- wrap as claimed in claim 15 11, configured as an adjustable sleeve, wherein:

said first and second end portions of said strip are joined together such that the strip is configured as is looped around and attached to itself to form a sleeve having an inner face and an outer face; and

said fasteners extend from the outer face of said sleeve in a position enabling the sleeve

to be selectively varied in peripheral size by commonly drawing the fasteners and the joined first and second end portions of the strip around a remaining portion of the sleeve and enabling the drawn portion to be secured in drawn position by attaching the fasteners to the outer face of the sleeve wherein said first end portion overlaps said second end portion, said fasteners selectively varying the diameter of said sleeve by selective attachment to the outer surface of said strip.

17. (Currently amended) The apparatus wrap as claimed in claim 11, wherein said pocket is sized and positioned to enable ready access to said end opening to permit replacement of a heat or cold pack without removing said strip from an its applied position about a selected human body portion, and wherein said fasteners comprise hook-type strips of hook and loop type fasteners attached to and extending from said first end portion and adapted to removably attach to the outer surface face of said strip.

18. (Currently Amended) An elongated ~~combination~~ disposable and reusable thermal compression wrap for applying a thermal pack against a human body portion, said wrap having flexibility in the direction of elongation for assisting in the application and retention thereof against a human body portion, said wrap comprising:

an elongated compression band comprised of latex-free flexible woven polypropylene cloth which is both disposable as well as reusable and is elastic and pliant in the direction of elongation, said band having inner and outer surfaces faces, first and second end portions, and a mid portion intermediate said first and second end portions, said elongated compression band of woven polypropylene cloth being selectively severable along its length without unraveling said woven polypropylene cloth at the severed end portion to selectively and variably adjust the length of said compression band;

at least one pouch disposed on the inner surface a face of said compression band, said pouch being comprised of said latex-free flexible woven polypropylene cloth and having an end opening adapted to permit enabling access to the interior thereof for selective insertion and retrieval of a thermal pack;

said band having sufficient pliability and elasticity to compress said pouch against a selected portion of the human body when applied thereto; and

a plurality of fastening elements affixed to and extending outwardly from the first end portion of said band and being adapted to releasably attach to any selected portion of said band outer surface, thereby enabling to enable application of said compression band to any desired portion of the human body;

wherein the propylene cloth is of a kind that is sufficiently engageable with said fastening elements to secure the band, in use, in a wrapped configuration around a selected human body portion.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently amended) The wrap as claimed in claim 18, wherein said pouch is sized and positioned to enable ready access to said end opening to permit replacement of a thermal pack without removing said band from its an applied position about a selected human body portion, and wherein said ~~fasteners~~ fastening elements comprise hook-type strips of hook and loop type fasteners attached to and extending from said first end portion and adapted to removably attach to any selected portion of the outer surface a face of said band to enable size adjustment of said the band in position about a selected human body portion.

21. (Currently amended) The wrap as claimed in claim 18, configured as an adjustable sleeve, wherein:

said pouch is positioned proximate said mid portion of said band; and wherein said band is looped around and attached to itself to form a sleeve

said first and second end portions of the band are joined together such that the band is configured as a sleeve having an inner face and an outer face; and , wherein said first end portion overlaps said second end portion;

said fastening elements extend from the outer face of said sleeve in a position enabling the sleeve to be selectively varied in peripheral size by commonly drawing the fastening elements and the joined first and second end portions of the band around a remaining portion of the sleeve and enabling the drawn portion to be secured in drawn position by attaching the fastening elements to the outer face of the band said fastener elements selectively varying the diameter of said sleeve by selective attachment to the outer surface of said band.

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22. (Currently amended) The wrap as claimed in claim 18, wherein:
said pouch is positioned proximate said second end mid portion; and
the second end portion extends longitudinally from the mid portion and provides a
selectively severable end portion for variably adjusting the length of the band.